

WHAT IS CLAIMED IS:

1        1. Container for packaging and unwinding a coil of  
2 wire, comprising: a box-like body that has a polygonal plan,  
3 can be opened at the top and is meant to accommodate a coil  
4 of wire; and a coil covering panel that has a central  
5 circular opening and a contour that matches the plan shape  
6 of the box-like body, so that it can freely descend in the  
7 box-like body in contact with the coil as the height of said  
8 coil decreases as the wire is unwound from above through the  
9 central opening of the panel, in order to prevent the  
10 lifting of turns of wire between the peripheral region of  
11 the panel and the container and thus the accidental  
12 entanglement of turns.

1        2. Container according to claim 1, wherein said  
2 container and said coil covering panel have a polygonal plan  
3 shape.

1        3. Container according to claim 1, comprising a pair of  
2 handles for its manual handling and transport.

1        4. Container according to claim 1, comprising: a first  
2 panel made of punched cardboard, that can be folded so as to  
3 obtain a first box-like body with multiple closure flaps at  
4 its top, two of said flaps having a through slit or slot; a  
5 second panel made of punched cardboard, that can be folded  
6 so as to obtain a second box-like body that can be inserted  
7 in the first one and has two lateral flaps that are shaped  
8 like handles and can be inserted in a respective slit or  
9 slot of the first box-like body; and a coil covering panel  
10 which is also made of cardboard.

1        5. Container according to claim 1, wherein said coil

2 has elliptical turns arranged in groups, each group having  
3 its major axis orientated at right angles to a respective  
4 wall of the container.

1 6. Container according to claim 4, wherein it comprises  
2 a wire unwinding hood that is like a frustum-shaped pyramid  
3 with a polygonal base and can be inserted on the container.

1 7. Container according to claim 1, wherein it comprises  
2 angular elements for confining the coil.

1 8. Container according to claim 7, wherein each one of  
2 said angular elements delimits a longitudinal recess and  
3 comprises a removable insert for abutment against the coil.

1 9. Container according to claim 8, wherein said angular  
2 elements are made of cardboard and that said insert is a  
3 wood strip.